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The Honorable Alex M. Azar II Secretary U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 200 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20201

Dear Secretary Azar:

RE: SECTION 1115 DEMONSTRATION (11-W-00001/9) EXTENSION APPLICATION

I am pleased to submit the State of Hawai'i's application for an extension of our "QUEST Integration" Demonstration (Project Number 11-W-00001/9) under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act. The extension request is for an additional five years, beginning January 1, 2019 and continuing through December 31, 2023, in order to further transform and improve the healthcare delivery system for low-income Hawai'i residents.

Originally implemented as the QUEST program in 1994, QUEST Integration is the current version of Hawai'i's Section 1115 Demonstration project. Under the Demonstration, the State provides comprehensive benefits to nearly 360,000 Medicaid beneficiaries through a robust, including long term care and supports, managed care delivery system. QUEST Integration has a strong history of providing the most vulnerable residents of Hawai'i with effective, innovative, efficient, and evidence-based health care. The State is requesting approval to build on this success by continuing to deliver services through managed care under our existing program.

We appreciate and look forward to HHS's continued support. If you have any questions about this application, please feel free to contact me or Dr. Judy Mohr Peterson, Med-QUEST Division Administrator, at 808-692-8050 or important-new-mohrmeterson@dhs.hawaii.gov.

Thank you for your consideration of this application.

With warmest regards,

David Y. Ige

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Enclosure

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